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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

Dear Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the U. S. Patent and
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Application:

1. Information Disclosure Statement (1 page); and
2. Information Disclosure Citation (1 page).

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AND ALL OTHER FEES DUE UNDER SECTION 1.17 DURING THE
PENDENCY OF THIS APPLICATION TO OUR DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO.
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Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.97-1.98, information relating to the above-identified application is hereby disclosed. Inclusion of information in this statement is not to be construed as an admission that this information is material as that term is defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(b).

In accordance with §1.97(b), since this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed either within three months of the filing date of the above-identified application, within three months of the date of entry into the national stage of the above-identified application as set forth in §1.491, or before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits of the above-identified application, no additional fee is required.

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